GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:407
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Providing of Low Cost Solar Heaters/ Lamps
Pal Shri Jagdambika

Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has formulated any scheme for providing low cost solar heaters and solar lamps to the people;
(b) if so, the details thereof;
(c) whether the Government proposes to increase the subsidy on solar power equipment;
(d) if so, the details in this regard; and
(e) the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Government to raise awareness about the use of solar energy in Uttar Pradesh?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR POWER, COAL, NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY & MINES (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) (SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)
(a) Yes, Madam, the Government has a scheme for supporting solar lamps.
(b) Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE) is providing Central Financial Assistance of Rs. 120/ Wp for solar lamps under Off-Grid and Decentralized Solar PV Applications Programme of the MNRE. However, subsidy scheme of solar water heating systems has been discontinued from 01.10.2014.
(c) & (d) No, Madam.
(e) MNRE is creating awareness about the use of solar energy through Doordarshan, Radio programmes and print media. In addition, state agency of Uttar Pradesh is also conducting awareness programmes, such as, workshops, seminars, melas and in electronic print media.
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